





Maryland Technical Architecture Framework (MTAF)

Enterprise Architecture Awareness Seminar: "Technical Architecture 101"

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Welcome

- Seminars designed as educational
- Encourage your participation throughout the MTAF project
- Next steps will be crucial as standards are being developed
- Tell us what you think!



Welcome

- Previous Seminar: Introduction to Enterprise Architecture (EA)
 - ➤ July 2004
 - Overview of EA concepts, frameworks, and an introduction to the MTAF project
- This session: Technical Architecture
 - A more in-depth look at the technical layer in an EA framework
 - Discussion of Maryland's Technical Architecture Framework project
- Upcoming: Three more EA seminars
 - Topics to be determined



Architecture Fronts

MTAF Project

- Completed the validation sessions
- Finalizing the business driver and guiding principles documents
- Working on the Technical Reference Model
- Creating a repository of technical information (metadata) that will be web-enabled for easy agency reference
- Developing standards



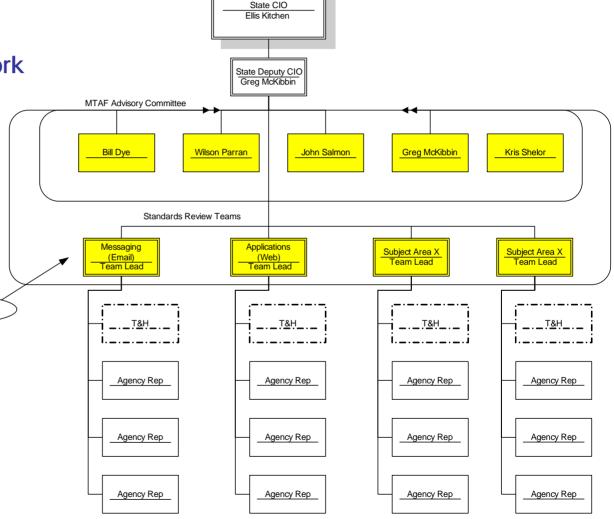
Architecture Fronts

Governance

Establishing work groups to build standards

Subject Areas

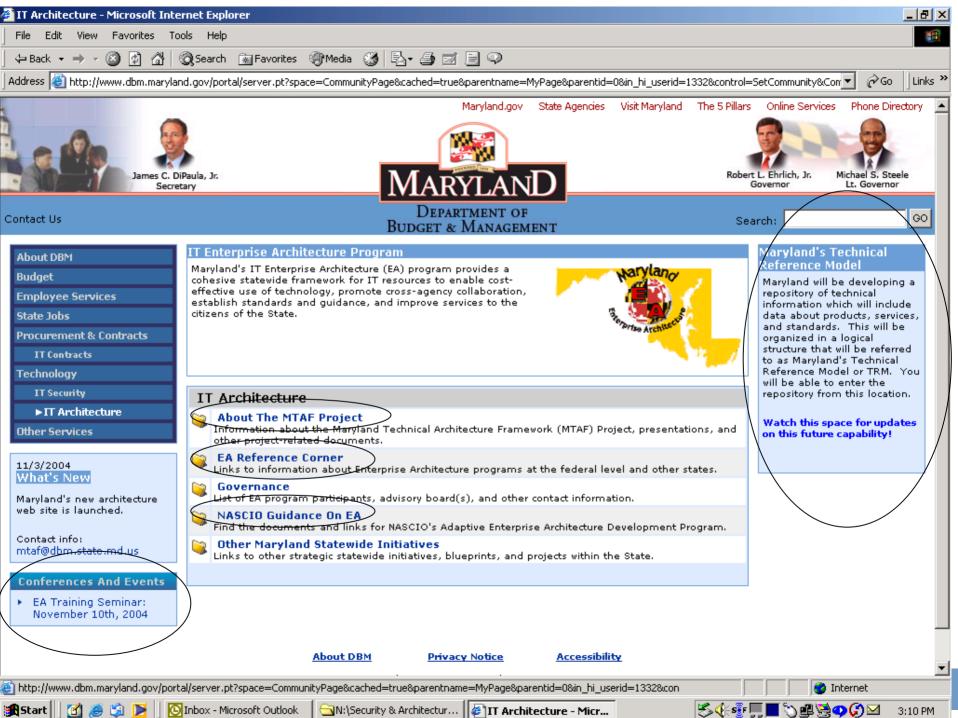
Two initial committees (Web, Email)





Architecture Fronts

- New Architecture Community www.dbm.maryland.gov
 - ➤ Technology Folder:
 - IT Architecture
 - ➤ To provide more information on Architecture:
 - MTAF project documents
 - Reference material
 - To launch the Technical Reference Model





Agenda

- Introduction
- Recap of Enterprise Architecture
- Technical Architecture Framework (TAF)
- Technical Reference Model (TRM)
- State of Maryland
- Questions & Answers



Introduction



Introduction

- Paula Ebnet, Thomas & Herbert
- Mariyo Nzuwah, Booz Allen Hamilton
- Otis Lee, Thomas & Herbert



EA Recap



Enterprise Architecture

- Enterprise Architecture (EA) is an operating discipline comprised of frameworks, methodologies, and delivery processes that can be leveraged to manage the complexities of an organization.
- EA enhances an organization's ability to deliver effective and timely services and supports the efforts to improve organizational functions, thereby, improving services to customers.



EA Framework

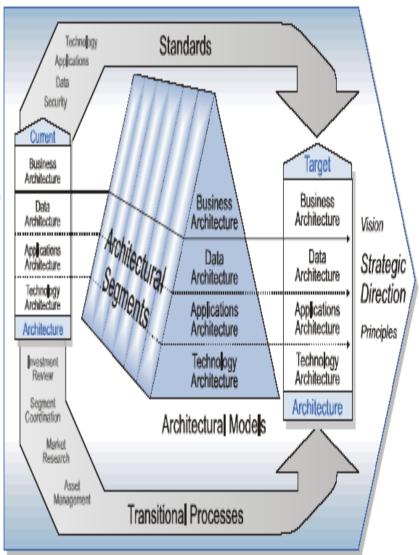
EA Framework is the overarching structure that addresses the Enterprise Architecture elements and their interrelation in an organized fashion.



Federal EA Framework

- Federal EA Framework is comprised of 8 elements
 - Architecture Drivers
 - Strategic Direction
 - Current Architecture
 - Target Architecture
 - > Transitional Processes
 - Architectural Segments
 - Architectural Models
 - Standards

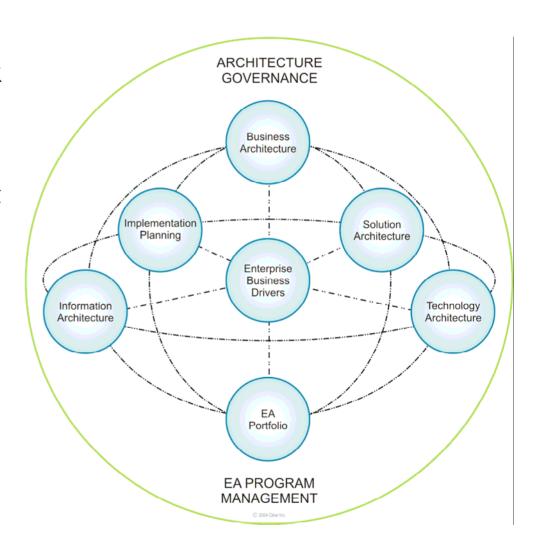






NASCIO EA Framework

- The NASCIO EA Framework is comprised of 9 elements
 - Architecture Governance
 - ➤ EA Program Management
 - Enterprise Business Drivers
 - Business Architecture
 - Information Architecture
 - Technology Architecture
 - Solution Architecture
 - Implementation Planning
 - EA Portfolio





Technical Architecture Framework

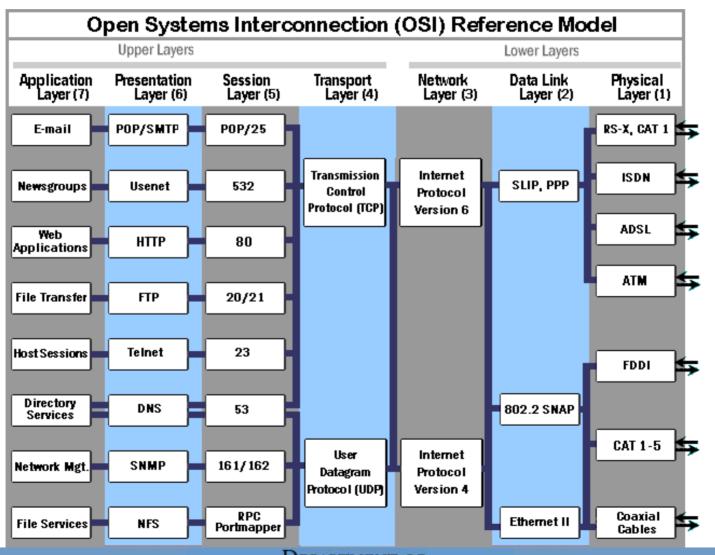


Understanding Architecturesvs. Frameworks

- Frameworks differ from Architectures
 - ➤ A Framework is a 'structured schema' to help address a problem. It is <u>descriptive</u>
 - An Architecture 'solves business and/or technological problems'. It is <u>prescriptive</u>
 - An Architecture then is the real-time <u>application</u> & <u>organization</u> of the various selected components that exist within the Framework towards a business/technological problem

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Understanding Architectures vs. Frameworks (cont'd)





Technology Architecture

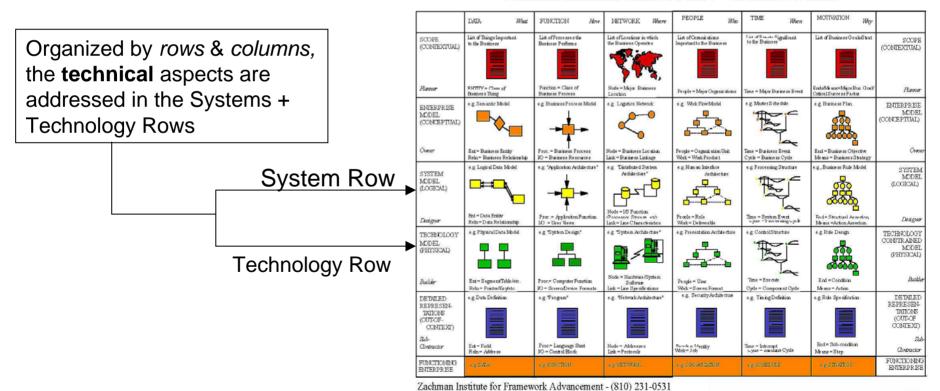
- A Technology Architecture may be based on one or more specific Technical Frameworks
 - ➤ A Technical Framework is a conceptual model used to structure information
 - ➤ A Technical Framework serves as a 'completeness check' to help practitioners understand what components may be required and how the components fit together



Zachman Architecture Framework

The Zachman Framework is another example of a framework

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Technology Architecture

- A Technology Architecture defines the components and services, and their interrelations, that enable the delivery of Information Services
 - A Technology Architecture focuses on the delivery and synergetic mastery of the components and/or services for a given technology solution
 - A Technology Architecture allows for an understanding of the components (technologies) that support the business capabilities of the organization
 - A Technology Architecture contains a 'road-map', or blueprint, for how technology will support the organization's mission



Technology Architecture Benefits

- A Technology Architecture provides numerous benefits
 - Provides a basic framework for major change initiatives
 - Divides and conquers technical and organizational complexities
 - Preservation of existing investments in applications and technology by isolating each from changes in the other
 - Leverages scarce technical skills
 - Enhancements in productivity, flexibility, & maintainability
 - Increases in the predictability of the architecture
 - Serves as a construction blue-print and ensures consistency across systems



Technology Architecture Benefits (cont'd)

- More specific benefits of technology architecture include
 - Simplified Application Development
 - Quality
 - Integration
 - Extensibility
 - Location Transparency
 - Horizontal Scaling
 - Isolation
 - Portability
 - Reuse



Characteristics of Technology Architecture

- There are seven general characteristics of a good architecture
 - Delimitation of the problem(s) to be addressed
 - Decomposition of the solution to components
 - Adequate documentation to permit vendor compliance
 - An auditing mechanism specified to each component and/or service
 - Definition of interfaces, formats, and protocols used between components
 - Policies, practices, and organizational structures that facilitate adoption of the architecture
 - Extendibility components to respond to Future Astounding Technologies



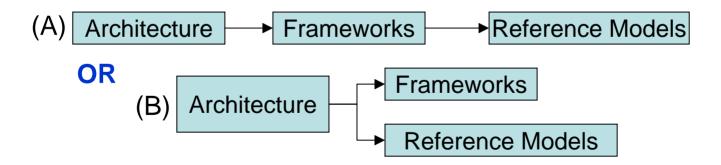
Technical Reference Model



Architecture Frameworks

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- Frameworks and Reference Models
 - ➤ The terms Framework & Reference Model are often used interchangeably
 - ➤ Some Architecture Frameworks are themselves a series of inter-related Reference Models (i.e. FEA and Model-Driven Architecture)





Technical Reference Model

- A Technical Reference Model is used to identify the standards, specifications and technologies that support and enable the delivery of solutions and capabilities
- A Technical Reference Model identifies the core technologies that support an organizations information technology solutions
- A Technical Reference Model contains an inventory of current and future technology products and standards used across the organization



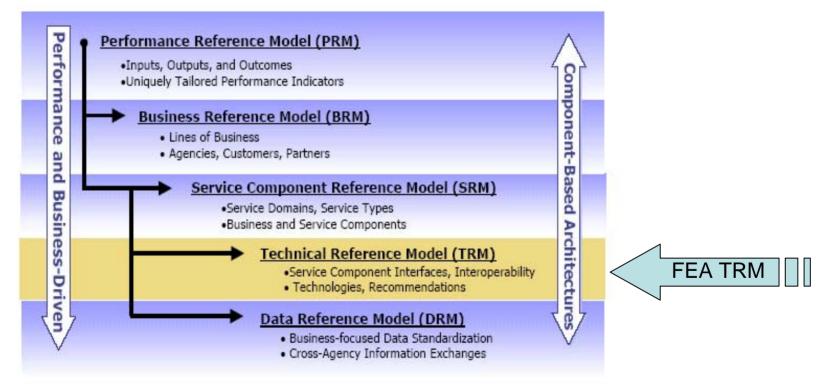
Technical Reference Model Benefits

- A Technical Reference Model provides numerous benefits
 - ➤ A Technical Reference Model provides the foundation to advance reuse
 - ➤ A Technical Reference Model leverages information about common technologies to allow collaboration
 - A Technical Reference Model allows economies of scale by identifying and reusing the best solutions and technologies



Federal EA Reference Models

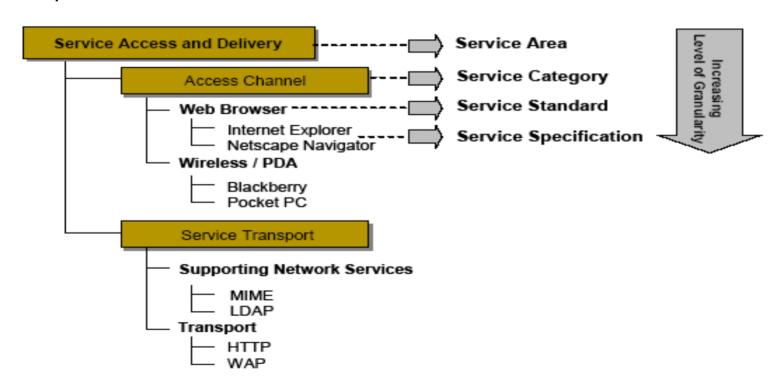
The Federal Enterprise Architecture (FEA) is defined as being comprised of a series of Reference Models





FEA TRM

The FEA TRM can be decomposed into Service Areas, Service Categories, Service Standards, and Service Specifications





FEA TRM (cont'd)

Service Access and Delivery

Access Channels Web Browser Wireless / PDA Device Collaboration / Communication

Delivery Channels Internet, Intranet Extranet

Service Requirements Legislative / Compliance Authentication / Single Sign-On

Hosting

Service Transport Network Services Transport

Peer to Peer (P2P) Other Electronic Channels Virtual Private Network (VPIN)

Service Platform and Infrastructure

Support Platforms Wireless / Mobile Platform Independent (J2EE) Platform Dependent (.NET)

Delivery Servers Web, Media Application Portal

Hardware / Infrastructure Servers / Computers Embedded Technology Devices Peripherals WAN, LAN

Database / Storage Database Storage Devices

Software Engineering Integrated Development Environment (IDE) Software Configuration Management (SCM) Testing Management, Modeling

Network Devices / Standards Video Conferencing

Component Framework

Security Certificates / Digital Signature Supporting Security Services

Presentation / Interface Static Display Dynamic Server-Side Display

Business Logic Platform Independent Platform Dependent

Data Management **Database Connectivity** Reporting and Analysis

Content Rendering Data Interchange Wireless / Mobile / Voice Data Exchange

Service Interface and Integration

Integration Middleware Database Access Transaction Processing Object Request Broker

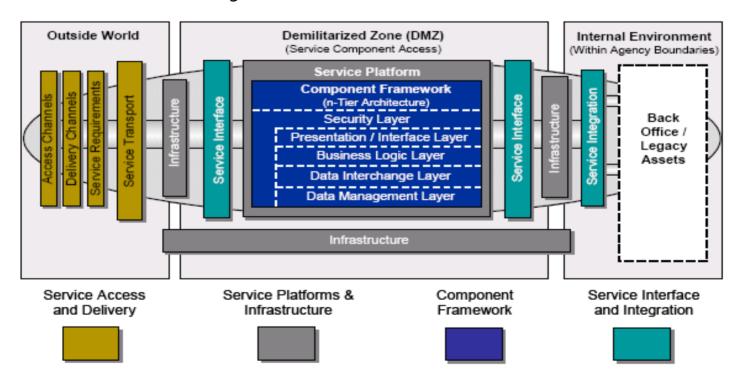
Interoperability Data Format / Classification Data Types / Validation Data Transformation

Interface Service Discovery Service Description / Interface



FEA TRM (cont'd)

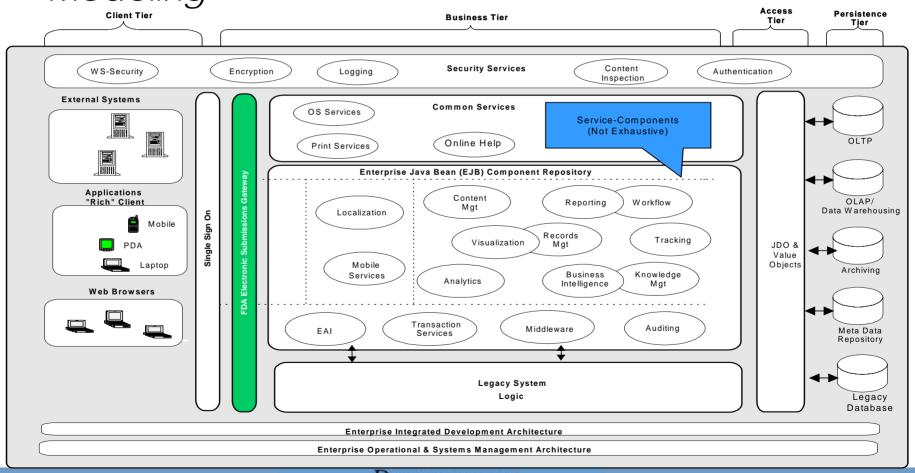
The FEA Technical Reference Model (TRM) describes the standards, specifications, and technologies the support the secure delivery of e-Gov solutions





Case Study – US FDA MARYLAND __ Technology Architecture

■ FDA Technology Architecture stresses *Integration* Modeling





US EPA TRM

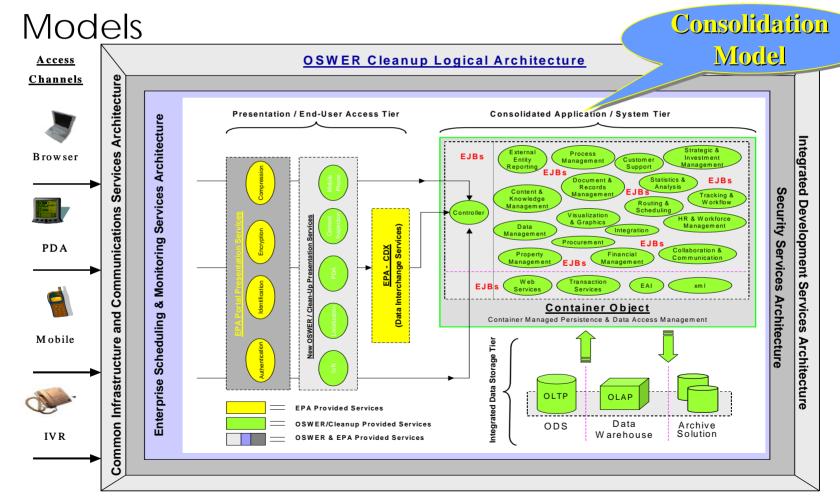
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Case Study – US EPA/OSWER Technology Architecture

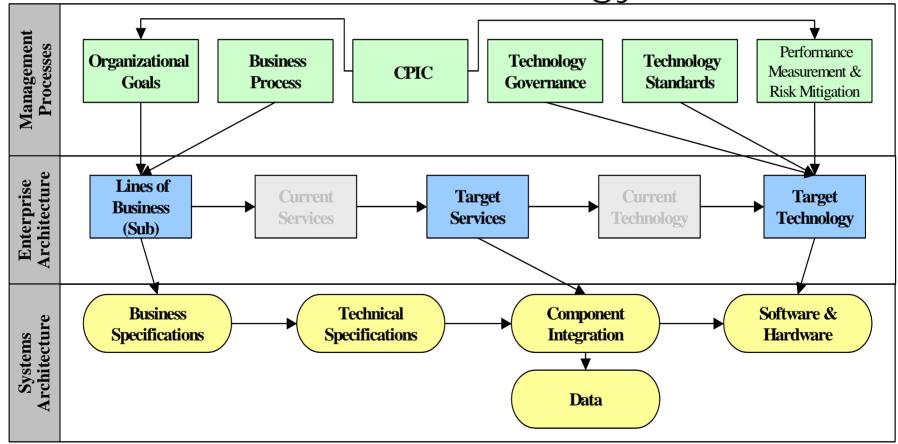
Based on FEA Service & Technical Reference





Case Study – NSF Technology Architecture

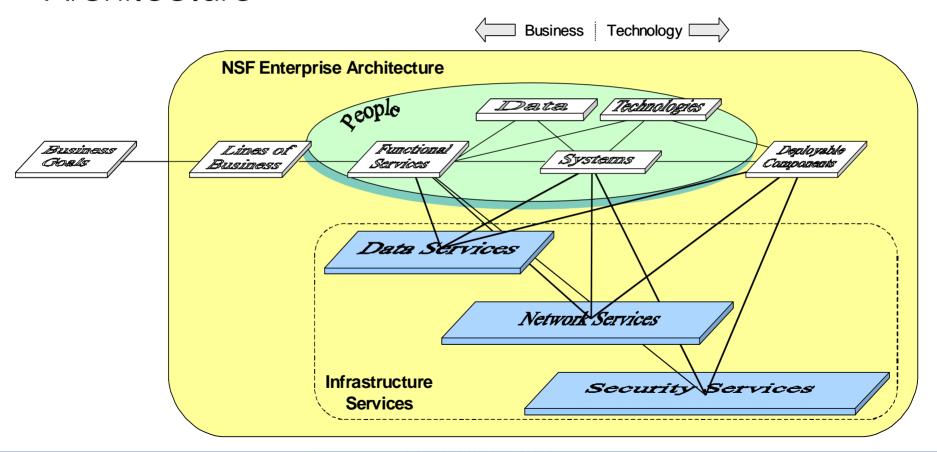
NSF Technology Architecture stresses linkages between business & technology





Case Study – NSF Technology Architecture

NSF Technology Architecture is a Service-Oriented Architecture





State of Maryland

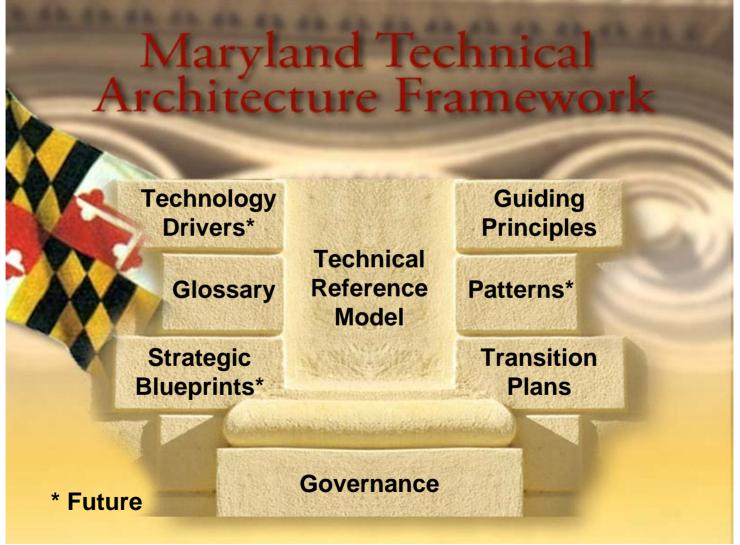


Maryland EA Framework





Maryland Technical Architecture Framework





Maryland Technical Reference Model

User Access					
Access Devices	Access Control Devices	I/O Peripherals	Business Support Software		
Software Development					
Programming Languages	Software Configuration	n Management	Software Engineering		
Integration					
<u>Middleware</u>	Interoperability	Interface	Data Interchange		
Infrastructure					
Test Management	System Management	Security Management	Database/Storage		
<u>Platforms</u>	Operating Systems	Delivery Servers	Security Services		
Network					
Transport	Network Infrastructure	Network Devices	Network Services		



Maryland TRM

User Access

Access Devices

Handheld Device
Dumb Terminal
Kiosk
Satelite Device
Touch Screen

Wireless Handheld Device

Access Control Devices

Smart Card
Fingerprint Scanner
Retina Scanner
Random Passcode Generators

I/O Peripherals

Modem
Microphone
Printer
FAX Machine
TTY

ZIP Drive
Floppy Drive
Removable Storage
2-way Radio
Bar Code Scanner
Image Scanner
Projector

Video Camera

Business Support Software

Browser
Emulator
Operating Systems
Voice Recognition
Productivity Tools

Software Development

Programming Languages

Markup Languages Business Logic Database Languages Multipurpose Languages Analysis Languages

Software Configuration Management

Version Management
Defect Tracking
Issue Management
Task Management
Change Management
Deployment Management
Requirements Management
Project Management

Software Engineering

Modeling
Design
Integrated Development Environment



Maryland TRM (cont'd)

Integration

Middleware

Message Oriented Remote Procedure Calls Transaction Processing Object Request Broker

Interoperability

Data Format /Classification Data Types/ Validation Data Transformation

Interface

Service Discovery
Service Description /Interface

Data Interchange

Data Exchange
Database Connectivity

Network

Transport

Web Transport
Mobile Transport
Wireless LAN
Service Transport
Video\Voice Transport
Encryption

Network Infrastructure

Frame Relay
Asynchronous Transfel Mode (ATM)
Ethernet

Token Ring

Virtual LAN (VLAN)

Network Devices

Hub Switch Router NIC

Transceivers Gateway

ISDN

T1/T3

Digital Subscriber Line (DSL)

Firewall VPN

Network Services

Network Support Directory Services

Messaging Voice

Management

Border Gateway Protocol

Application Gateway

Network Address Management

Naming Services Remote Access

VPN



Maryland TRM (cont'd)

Infrastructure

Test Management

Functional Testing
Usability Testing
Performance Testing
Load/Stress/Volume Testing

System Management

System Monitoring Desktop Management Network Monitoring Fail Over

Server Management Web Server Management Inventory Management

Load Balaneing

Network Inventory & Distribution

Asset Management

Operations Management
Configuration Management

Enterprise Architecture Management

Platforms

Partitioning Peripherals

Video conferencing

Mainframe

Server

Peripherals

Graphics

SAN

NAS

Cables

CD-Rom Drives

Data Storage

Desktops

Security Management

Security and Access Control Testing Virus Management

<u>Database/Storage</u>

Database (RDBMS)

Storage

Backup & Recovery

Modeling

Metadata Management

Operating Systems

Mainframe Midøle Tier

Personal Computers

File and Printers
Mobile Devices

Delivery Servers

Application Servers

Web Servers

Knowledge Management

Business Process Management

Content Management

Search Engine

Business Services

Mail Servers

Collaboration Servers

Media Servers

Portal Servers

Application Servers

Security Services

Digital Cerificate

Firewall Services

Access Control

Directory Access

Audit Trail Creation

Authentication

Database Security Services

Electronic Signatures

Host Intrusion Detection

Network Instrusion Detection

Encryption

Virus Protection



E-mail View

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Transport	Network Infrastructure	Network Devices (Network Services		



E-mail View

User Access Business Support Software Browser **Operating System Access Devices** Handheld Device Infrastructure **Platforms** Server Workstation **Delivery Servers** Web Servers Mail Servers **Network Network Services Directory Services** Messaging **Transport**

Products

- MS Internet Explorer
- Netscape Navigator
- Mozilla Firefox
- Windows Server 2000
- Novell Netware 6.x
- Blackberry
- Treo 600
- Compaq Dell Hewlett-Packard
- Gateway Dell IBM
- Apache Web Server
- MS Internet Information Server
- MS Exchange Server
- Novell Groupwise
- MS Active Directory
- Novell Directory Services
- Eudora LDAP
- Novell Groupwise
- MS Outlook
- Apache Web Server
- MS Internet Information Server

Standards

- HTTP/1.1
- HTML/4.01
- CSS2
- SSL3
- POSIX, FIPS 151-2
- WML/2.0
- WMLScript

- I DAP
- X.500
- X.400
- IMAP4Rev1 SMTP
- POP3
- HTTP/1.1
- HTTPS

Web Transport



Upcoming Events

The schedule for upcoming MTAF EA Awareness Seminar is as follows:

- Tuesday, January 25th, 2005
- Thursday, February 24th, 2005
- Monday, April 25th, 2005



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Thank You